

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

Claim 1 (currently amended) A method for printing on a printing substrate having a surface for preparing packaging blanks, comprising the steps of:

- dividing said printing substrate into a plurality of blank substrates for printing, said blank substrates having areas intended for application of an adhesive;
- producing a printed image on each of said blank substrates by application of an ink film of a first ink system;
- coating said areas intended for application of an adhesive with a second ink system; and
- applying a lacquer over said surface of said printing substrate, said lacquer being absorbed by said coating of said areas intended for application of an adhesive, whereby said areas intended for application of an adhesive form substrates for application of an adhesive;

wherein said ink systems differ from one another with respect to lacquer absorption capacities.

Claim 2 (canceled)

Claim 3 (previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein said ink systems, after being applied, are treated differently by curing and/or drying.

Claim 4 (previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein said ink system for coating said areas intended for application of an adhesive contains only a small amount of pigments or substantially no pigments at all.

Claim 5 (previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein said lacquer is colorless.

Claim 6 (previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein said first ink system comprises a hybrid ink; which contains an ink which can be cured by radiation, or comprises an offset ink.

Claim 7 (previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein said lacquer is cured by radiation.

Claim 8 (previously presented) The method of claim 6, wherein said hybrid ink and said lacquer are cured by UV light.

Claim 9 (currently amended) A method for printing on a printing substrate having a surface for preparing packaging blanks, comprising the steps of:

- dividing said printing substrate into a plurality of blank substrates for printing, said blank substrates having areas intended for application of an adhesive;
- producing a printed image on each of said blank substrates by application of an ink film;
- applying a binder for offset printing inks at said areas intended for application of an adhesive; and
- applying a lacquer over said surface of said printing substrate, said lacquer being absorbed by said binder, whereby said areas intended for application of an adhesive form substrates for application of an adhesive;

wherein said ink film and said binder differ from one another with respect to lacquer absorptive capacities.

Claim 10 (previously presented) The method of claim 9, wherein said binder for offset printing inks is a varnish.

Claim 11 (previously presented) The method of claim 9, wherein said ink film and said binder are treated differently by curing and/or drying.

Claim 12 (canceled)

Claims 13 (withdrawn) An apparatus for printing on a substrate for preparing packaging blanks, comprising:

at least one printing unit for applying an ink film comprising at least one ink system;

a printing unit for printing a binder, which is customarily used for offset printing inks; and

a lacquering device, which is disposed after said printing units, for applying a layer of lacquer on said substrate.

Claim 14 (withdrawn) The apparatus of claim 13, wherein said printing unit for printing a binder is disposed after said at least one printing unit for applying an ink film.

Claim 15 (withdrawn) The apparatus of claim 13, wherein said lacquering device is a lacquer tower, which comprises a lacquer plate cylinder, an engraved ink transfer cylinder, and a chamber doctor blade.

Claim 16 (previously presented) A method for printing on a printing substrate having a surface for preparing packaging blanks, comprising the steps of:

- dividing said printing substrate into a plurality of blank substrates for printing, said blank substrates having areas intended for application of an adhesive;
- producing a printed image on each of said blank substrates by application of at least two different ink systems;
- applying a binder for offset printing inks at said areas intended for application of an adhesive; and
- applying a lacquer over said surface of said printing substrate, said lacquer being absorbed by said binder and interacting with said at least two different ink systems, whereby said areas intended for application of an adhesive form substrates for application of an adhesive and degrees of gloss vary among areas of said at least two different ink systems.

Claim 17 (previously presented) The method of claim 16, wherein said degrees of gloss are inversely proportional to lacquer absorptive capacities of said ink systems so that more lacquer remains at a surface of ink systems of lower lacquer absorptive capacities and less lacquer remains at a surface of ink systems of higher lacquer absorptive capacities.

Claim 18 (previously presented) A method of claim 17, wherein one or more gloss-determining components of said lacquer can be absorbed by said ink systems.